4153. Adulteration of evaporated apples. U. S. * * * v. 14 Boxes * * * of Evaporated Apples. Default decree of condemnation, forfeiture, and destruction. (F. & D. No. 6209. I. S. Nos. 12401-k, 12402-k, S. No. C-147.)

On January 8, 1915, the United States attorney for the District of North Dakota, acting upon a report by the Secretary of Agriculture, filed in the District Court of the United States for said district a libel for the seizure and condemnation of 4 boxes, each containing fifty 15-ounce cartons of evaporated apples and 10 boxes, each containing 50 pounds of evaporated apples, remaining unsold in the original unbroken packages at Valley City, N. D., alleging that the product had been shipped, on or about September 20, 1914, and transported from the State of Arkansas into the State of North Dakota, and charging adulteration in violation of the Food and Drugs Act. The product was labeled: "Star Brand Evaporated Apples, Sulphur Bleached Packed by Ladd Bros., Fayetteville, Ark."

Adulteration of the article was alleged in the libel for the reason that it consisted in whole or [in] part of a filthy, decomposed animal or vegetable substance.

On April 27, 1915, no claimant having appeared for the property, judgment of condemnation and forfeiture was entered, and it was ordered by the court that the product should be destroyed by the United States marshal.

CARL VROOMAN, Acting Secretary of Agriculture.